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## URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF FILEY

### MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH - ANNUAL REPORT

Year ended 31st December, 1947.

Mr Chairman and Councillors,

I beg to present my Annual Report for 1947.

Vital Statistics: Area 2106 acres. Population 4,311  
Rateable Value £45,704. Produce of  
1d Rate £167, Separate Dwellings  
1607 Density 2.7 persons per house.

Live Births Total 100: 55 male and 45 female. There  
were 9 illegitimate children, 4 male  
and 5 female. There were 4 children  
stillborn. (Birthrate 23.2 per 1000)

Deaths Total 68: 34 male and 34 female. 7  
children (all legitimate) six male and  
1 female died under the age of 1 year.  
(Deathrate: 15.7 per 1,000)

The causes of death were:-

Pulmonary Tuberculosis	2	Ulcer of the Stomach	1
Cancer	5	Appendicitis	1
Intra Cranial Vascular		Nephritis	5
Disease	8	Premature Birth	2
Heart Diseases	23	Congenital malformations	3
Other diseases of		Suicide	1
Circulatory System	3	Other violent causes	2
Bronchitis	4	All other causes	4
Pneumonia	3		

Infectious Disease: There was a considerable drop in infectious  
disease as compared with the previous year.  
90 cases in all were notified; 51 of these  
were cases of measles. The figures  
notified of other infectious diseases were:-

Pneumonia	17	Puerperal Pyrexia	1
Scarlet fever	10	Diphtheria	1
Whooping Cough	7	Acute Anterior Poliomyelitis	3
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	2	(i.e. Infantile paralysis)	

The case of Diphtheria was the first which had occurred  
in the District since before the war. The child recovered  
completely. Of the 3 cases of Infantile paralysis, two  
occurred in children who were visitors to the town, infection  
had taken place prior to their reaching Filey. No spread of  
infection took place. The third case occurred 2 months later to  
the two aforementioned cases; it was in a resident child, was  
mild in nature and resulted in complete recovery.

The town of Filey, being as it is a resort mainly for small  
children and young people, of which great numbers enter it from  
all districts during the summer months, should feel very thank-  
ful that this alarming and dangerous disease virtually passed  
it by in 1947.

#### Diphtheria Immunisation

The % of children immunised remains very high, estimated  
at 95% of the children under 15 years of age.

Tuberculosis: The following number of cases remain on my Register:

	<u>Pulmonary</u>	<u>Non-Pulmonary</u>
Males	11	1
Females	<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	18	2

In all: 20 cases.

Water Supply: The Water supply of the Urban District has been satisfactory in both quality and quantity. Bacteriological and chemical examinations have been made and proved satisfactory. All the dwelling houses are supplied from public water mains and none by stand pipes.

7th September, 1948.

I am, Gentlemen,  
Your obedient Servant,

G. A. DIBB.